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THE SEARCH FOR TRUTH.

cation in the South will begin its session promises to be the most interesting and that have been held because the moveinstitution. It has passed through the woon a substantial basis. It has the Southern men and women, who have the who see the good work that is being done

In yesterday's paper we showed by enumerating the various speakers, that it is to be in fact, as well as in name, a be made by distinguished educators from the North, the Conference will be dominated by Southern sentiment, and all the Southern education with due respect to

We welcome to Richmond these distin guished educators from all sections. We believe that the problems which confront us are to be solved, if solved at all, by the honest and sincere and intelligent cooperation of the honest and sincere and intelligent men of the North and the South, All such men are honestly seek ing after the truth. They are not blinded by prejudice, they are not chasers af ter fads and fancies, they come together with their eyes open, with an earnest de sire to ascertain what are the facts and then to confront them frankly and cour-

truth, for it is the truth that makes us free. We are apt to shut our eyes against a painful truth; we are disposed, all of us, to hide away the skeletons in our closet and to keep them from prving eyes; we are apt to hide these skeletons from ourselves, if we can, and make believe that they are not. That is the ten dency of human nature, but that is not philosophy. Philosophy turns the search light into the dark corners and finds the truth, and having found it confronts it and declares it. These Northern men who have been coming down South for the most successful and profitable. They are practical men, they have learned a great stand the negro question as they could personal investigations in that section They understand our circumstances, they in a spirit of friendly sympathy they ask the poor privilege of helping us to parry it. It is a noble movement, it is 1 practical movement, and it has sucreeded because it has deserved and com-

A GOOD INVESTMENT.

The Jamestown Exposition bill has reand will probably be taken up by the Senate as a body to-morrow for final acvarious amendments having been voted down yesterday.

Under the provisions of the bill the State is to pay to the Exposition Company \$50,000 in March, 1904, and the bal-nace in March, 1905, and it does seem that the State ought to be able to meet these payments without embarrassment We are in full sympathy with those mem standing for economy in appropriations, but we believe that the appropriation for this enterprise will be a splendld investthat the State can afford to withhold her

The celebration of this great historic event will advertise Virginia, her geo graphical location, her climate and her re

The cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth, New port News, Hampton and adjoining sec cipal real estate agents and financiers present Mayor of East St. Louis and other well known citizens have said that from the moment it was decided to hold taxable values and the demand for property increased at once, not only in that vicinity in Illinois, but in St. Louis and

The late President McKinley, in his speech at Buffalo, just before the vile expositions generally:

"Expositions are the time-keepers of progress. They record the world's advancement. They stimulate the energy enterprise and intellect of the people quicken the human genius. They go int storehouses of information to the student. Every exposition, great or small, Reviews; Dean Russell, of Teachers' Col-

The Times-Dispatch has helped to some onward step. Comparas such instructs the brain and hand of man. Friendly rivalry follows, which is the spur to industrial improvement, the aspiration to useful invention and to high endeavor in all departments of hu-

We believe that the Jamtstown Exposition will be to Virginia what such expo sitions have been to the States in which they were held.

THE NEGRO PROBLEM.

The Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, rector of the Church of the Ascension, in New York city, preached a sermon on Sunday last on the negro question, in which he took the ground that it is the duty of the superior white race to edueate the negro, to assume a parental relation toward him, and to compel him to work even, if necessary, by State supervision. He took the position that nature permanently bars the union of the whites and blacks by weakening the fecundity of the children of such a union, and that the attempt to amalgamate the two races by maringe would result in racial suicide brough barrenness. Assuming, therefore, that there must be absolute separation and no amalgamation, asuming that the white race is the superior race, and the negro race the inferior race, he then declared, as above stated, that the white race must rule the negro race, and comnel the negroes to take care of themselves by their own work.

"It is straining at a gnat," he concluded, "all this hysterical criticism of the efforts of the Europeans to get work out of the dark-skinned races when they are past twelve months, and because the Con- not held as slaves. A system of piece work and overseeing must be regarded as a just means for the time being to counteract human laziness. There should races to see that they obtain the reward of their labors."

> This is about as near as any northern nan could have come to the confession that slavery was good for the black man. Indeed, this preacher does advocate a orm of slavery, and makes no secret of the fact.

In this connection we invite the especial attention of our northern visitors, those gentlemen who have come to Richmond in the interest of education, to the followcial-intelligence:

It is very greatly to the credit of Mr. Chamberlain that, now he has been to South Africa and come into contact with the Boers and blacks, he confesses in the frankest terms that he was misled as to the Boer treatment of the natives. W may leave Mr. Chamberlain to speak for

Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Com-mons, October 19, 1899. Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Com-mons, March 19, 1903.

When we have talked of grievances against the Boers litherto we have confined ourselves to the grievances of the whites.

Eut how have we kept our promises But there is one thing I am bound to our late foes. We have been led, probably the majority in this House were led, by statements which were made, to believe that the treatment of the native by the Boer was very bad; and in that belief we expressed the hope that when the war came to an end we should be able to improve the war the Boers was exagerated. It would be a been out to be a been of the been exagerated it. But there is one

nggerated. I freely make that admission. If it had not been exaggerated it is impossible to believe that the Boers could, as I know they did in hundreds and thousands of cases, leave their wives and children and property in the care of the few matives they had had previously

This is only another instance to show that, in regard to any statement regarding South Africa no matter by whom made, we are well advised to keep ar open mind.

As the English people misjudged the Boers in their treatment of the blacks so the northern people misjudged their southern brethren. There was a disposition on the part of the English to confer the right of suffrage upon the black folia but offer the war majority | natives of Sout of the Finance Committee of the Senate was over and after they had time and oc casion to ascertain the facts they came to a different conclusion, and decided that the Boers knew better than the English how to deal with this practical ques-

> We believe now that every fair-minded man at the North is satisfied in his own mind that the fifteenth amendment was one of the greatest blunders ever committed in this country. We believe that they understand the situation in the South as they have not perviously understood it and now that the truth is known and confessed by the intelligent Whitein all parts of the country, we are nearer than ever before to a solution of the s called negro problem, which is the same exists, whether in Africa or the Southern States of America

SUMMER SCHOOLS FOR TEACHERS.

The Summer School of the South will sity of Tennessee, Knexville, on June 23d and continue until August 1st.

This school is a feature of the Southern education campaign and is aided by Northern men associated with the South ern Education Board. Last session there were sixty-five professors and over two thousand students. It is believed that the attendance will be larger this year and the course is more attractive. The its friends have decided to make it per manent and this year will offer about one hundred and fifty courses in subjects ranging from the kindergarten to the university and covering the work of the ele-mentary rural school as well as that of the city system. In order to carry out the programme, the services of eighty teachers, men and women, have been se-cured. In addition to the regular inby Dr. Albert Shaw, of the Review of

lege; Governor Aycock, of North Caro-lina; Governor Frazier, of Tennessee, and

Dr. McIver, of North Carolina. We have not the space to give the programme in full, but those interested may procure it by writing to the Bureau of Information, of the Southern Education Board, Knoxville, Tenn. There is no charge for instruction, the only cost to those who attend being a registration fee

This school is to be considered in connection with the summer school at the University of Virginia, which was so eminently successful last year, and which will be continued this year. Such schools are to be conducted, as we understand it, nearly all the Southern States, and a liberal part of the expense will be borne by Northern men who are taking an in-terest in Southern education. These schools, be it remembered, are for the training of teachers. The teachers who attend have the opportunity of brushing up on their studies, but more particularly of learning the best and most approved modern methods of instruction.

Here is evidence of great progress in education in the South. The better teachers we have the better schools we shall have, so that after all these training schools are for the benefit of the rising

Mr. William K. Vandelbilt, who has been granted permission by a New York coert to marry again, is fifty-four years of age and is worth \$100,000,000. many years he has been living in Europe, in Paris chiefly.

In 1880 he married Miss Alva Smith, of Mobile, Ala., and they had three children, one of whom' is now the wife of the Duke of Marlborough. In 1895 he was sued for divorce and a decree was granted, which forbade him to remarry during the lifetime of his wife. Not long afterwards, Mrs. Vanderbilt was married to Oliver H. P. Belmont, who was one of the yachting party when the estrangement of Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt occurred. Mr. Belmont was at the time a divorced man.

It is not positively known whom Mr. Vanderbilt will marry, but Mrs. Lewis M. Rutherford's name is mentioned in this connection.

The court thinks it a reasonable and proper thing, in the circumstances, that Mr. Vanderbilt should be allowed to marry again, but his appearance before the public in this connection has made a great flutter among the 400 and cannot but be very disagreeable to the Duchess of Marlborough. It is to be hoped, however, that it will be effectual for good in educating public sentiment against the divorce craze. Instead of being fashionable, divorce should be unfashionable the last resort in a desperate case. And herein is another text for a Wattersonlan sermon.

Lieutenant-Governor Lee, of Missouri s a fugitive from justice; that is to say, the State wants him as a witness in a legislative bribery investigation, and he has fled from her jurisdiction and is in hiding. He offers to come back and tes tify if he may confine his answers to questions within certain limits, but very properly the prosecution will not agreto any such terms.

United States Senator and former ernor Stone has been criticised in connection with the pure food laws in question, and has replied to his assailants in vehement terms. His protestations of innocence are couched in angry language

We wish him a safe deliverance from all who would unjustly connect him with those scandals, but for his sake would that he had been more calm and dignified in his speech intended to vindicate his course, and which was delivered on Monday before the Democratic Press Association.

The city of St. Louis and the State o Missouri have been unfortunate in the number of gross scandals that have stained their annals of late, but they have shown a most commendable deter mination in prosecuting the criminals When they go in pursuit of a "boodler they make his trall very hot; there is no "let up" in their efforts, no condoning of crimes or excess of sympathy for the

========== Thousand-dollar bills are not in comlation. It was the fact that a number of members of the Missouri Legislature went around town trying to get such bills changed that aroused suspicion and led to the present pure foods bill investiga

criminals.

If Jefferson could return from the spirit land, he would have his hands full harmonizing the parties that claim to b so much stuck on his doctrines,

The April showers are new over, and lucky is the man who still holds the bill of sale to his umbrella, and the umbrella, too.

A lantern was kicked over in Texas and twenty oil wells went up in worthless smoke; but then they have a lot of oil wels down there and many to spare.

In the Northern Securities case the judges just went up the hill and then

some State or city official does not skip out.

Our April showers got such a cold re ception when they reached German soil they turned to sno

The strawberry season has not been officially opened yet. Only a few straggling plates are on advance review.

The Kaiser is going to get a peep at will be at Kiel during yachting week, And so it seems that the Anthracite

Arbitration Commission's settlement don't exactly settle. "Tain't so," says the venerable Mr

Vanderbilt, but the arrangements for the wedding go right along. If the educators brought us the sunshine, then the educators be praised.

Trend of Thought In Dixie Land

Memphis Commercial Appeal: When relicf funds, charity funds and reserve funds are permitted to grow and accumu-late so that expenive offices and an army of boards, trustees, treasurers and Eductary agents is necessary, the almoner who relieves want for want's sake, who relieves the hungry because of the hungry because of the hungr, and who clothes the naked because of the nakedeness, is overwhelmed in the tide and all hut ceases to exercise his functions.

Atlanta Journal: It is unfortunate for the credulity of the American people that General Otis so often suppressed the Fili-pino insurgents with his typewriter, but the average citizen who keeps abreast of the times in the newspapers will be in-clined to now accept these protestations of Philippine pacification as bona fide.

Nashville American: The South has no Nashville Amorican: The South has no feeling against the negro. When he is in his place it has for him a very warm regard and affection. When he gets out of his place it is in order for him to move away from the South. But if he moves North he is given no chance industrially, and in very few places socially, so the sensible negroes, educated and uneducated, usually stay in the South. It suits them better. The strange part of it is that at this late day intelligent men in the North do not know it.

Montgomery Advertiser: Mr. Bryan inus that one William Joel Stone, nesirreverently alluded to as "Gumhoe Bill," would be "an acceptable can-lidate for President," but neglects to tell is who he would be acceptable to, except o himself and Bryan.

A FEW FOREIGN FACTS.

The Prince and Princess of Wales will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws and Doctor of Music respectively from the University of London on Wednesday evening, June 24th.

Rev. H. P. Perkins, of Pac-ting-fu, reports to the American Board of Foreign Missions that there is a religious move-ment such as has never been seen be-fore in that field in North China.

Dr. K. A. Ewald, professor of medicine in the University of Ferlin, expects to vis-it the United States in May.

Prof. S. S. Orris, formerly of the Greek department in Princeton University, who was making a tour around the world, was found recently stricken with paralysis in a Hong Kong hospital by a returning missionary.

Roumania is about to enact some legislation which will deprive divorces of some of their popularity and at the same time make membership in Roumanian "alimony clubs" more onerous than ever. Minister of Finance Costinsecu has submitted a bill which will place a tax on divorces graduated according to the amount of the husband's fortune.

Heligoland is not the only land which is gradually giving way before the continued onslaughts of the North Sea, A strip of thirty-six miles of English coast between Flamborough and Spurn head loses on an average two yards and a quarter, or thirty acres a year Over a miles has gone since the Norman content. Nothing has yet been dayled to quest. Nothing has yet been devised to stop the inroads of the waves.

Personal and General.

Ella Wheeler Wilcov says that of all the poems she has written she thinks that "High Noon" is her best, at least it is her favorite.

Mr. Ellsworth Huntington has lately been appointed research assistant by the Carnegie Institute and will go with Prof. Davis to join Prof. Pumpelly in Turkes

The famous palace occupied by the late ico. W. Childs, of the Philadelphia Led-er, which cest him ver £1,000,00, is to be ransformed into an apartment-house.

Captain Charles H. Downs, who claims to have been the first white sattler of Omaha, Neb., still resides there, at the age of eighty-four years. He went to Omaha in June, 1854. He was born in Connecticut, near the city of New Ha-

with me.

any way.
After dinner, on entering the drawing-

Prof. W. S. Jackson, of the University of Chicago, has been elected president of the National Society for the Scientific Study of Education.

Judge John M. Dickinson, appointed counsel for the United States before the Alaska boundary commission, which will sit in London next fall, graduated from the University of Nashville, the Columbia law school and stedled international law in Leipsie and Paris.

North Carolina Sentiment

earing something. It says: "The returns indicate that the Hon. Grover Cleveland has been restored in the good graces of the Southern people, and there is no Presidential nomination significance about it either."

Politics must be getting much mixed in Durham. The Herald says:

"How did he meet her?" Inquired.
"On the Rig! last summer," said Charles. "I am thinking of going there myself next year. Lovely orphan sat by Lady Mary at table d'hote. Read tracts presented by Lady Mary, Made acquaintance. Lovely orphan's traveling companion or governess discovered to be live sister of defunct traveling companion or governess of Lady Mary. Result, warm friendship, Ralph, like a dutiful nephew, appears on the scene. Fortnight of fine weather, Interesting expeditions. Romantic attachment, cemented by diamond and pearl ring from Hunt and Rostell's. There is the whole story for you." Purham. The Herald says:

"In the past this town has been getting along very well without politics in its elections, but if every little faction that thinks it can control a few votes has to put out a ticket, it would, be best to have a straight fight between the two parties."

Evely

The Roxboro Courier seems to be down

CHATER VIII.
Evelyn Derrick joined us as he finished speaking. She was a tall, graceful girl, gentle and dignified in manner, with a pale, refined face. She was pretty in a way, but not to compare to Aurella.
Evalum head on average to she that about head. on judicial gowns. It says: "It has been in the memory of almost the youngest child when even the gown would not lend dignity to the Supreme Court of this State, and we agree with numbers of others who have spoken through the columns of the press that it is not gowns which lend dignity to the beright and happy, with a smile for every one. It is not gowns which lend dignity to the bench, but brains. Away with such stuff, even if our legal fraternity has asked for it."

The Wilmington Messenger is led to make some pointed remarks on a touchous question:

"That little ballot-box smashing affair at Newbern during the primary election on Monday carries one back to the elections before the reform movement. We thought the disfranchisement of the negro and the putting of elections entirely in the hands of white people was to do away with all such matters which were formerly considered mecessary evils because of the content of the disfranchisement of the negro and the putting of elections entirely in the hands of white people was to do away with all such matters which were formerly considered mecessary evils because of the dispersion of the proposed of a "It has been in the memory

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Remarks About Richmond.

Norfolk County Democrat: Richmond is about to lose the Legislature and the Bos-teck wild animal show, but she will re-tala her unique City Council.

Newport News Press; Several days have elapsed since the Bostock press agent last escaped from his keepers and lacerated the credulity of readers of the Richmond papers.

Virginia Citizen: Wouldn't it be a good idea to close out that Richmond Ministerial Union, or else conduct it on the deaf and dumb plan?

The Danvers Jewels

(By Special Arrangement with Harper & Bro.)

I am not a person who easily becomes confused, but I must own I did get confused with the large party in the midst of which we were now ushered. I soon made out Sir George Danvers, a delicate but irascible-looking old gentleman, who received me with dignified cordiality, but returned Charles' greeting with a cerof something else to say. I was quite looking forward to it myself until I came here, and now I am quite, quite tired of it beforehand."

Ralph laughed delightedly, and Str.

George reminding me that every was dying of excitement, himself cluded, I ran upstairs to take the br and with the second son, Ralph, a ruddy, smiling young man, with any amount of white teeth, I had no difficulty; but after that I became hopelessly involved.

I was introduced to an elderly lady, whom I addressed for the rest of the evening as Lady Danvers, until Charles casually mentioned that his mother was dead, and that, until the deceased Wife's Sister Bill was passed, he did not anticipate that his Aunt Mary would take upon herself the position of stepmother to her orphaned nephews. The severe elderly lady, then, who beamed so sweetly upon Ralph, and regarded the last of blaze.

I was introduced to an elderly lady, whom I addressed for the rest of the evening as Lady Danvers, until Charles alone holding rather aloof, sipping his coffee with his back to the free "Dow't jostle," he said, as they all rowded around me. "Eveyin, let me beg of you not to elbow forward in that unsecoming manner. Observe how Aunt Mary restrains herself. Take time, Middledon! your coffee is getting cold. Won't you drink it first?"

As he finished speaking I turned the contents of the bag upon the lewels in the brist.

dead, and that, until the deceased Wife's Sister Bill was passed, he did not antict pate that his Aunt Mary would take upon herself the position of stepmother to her orphaned nephews. The severe elderly lady, then, who beamed so sweetly upon Ralph, and regarded Charles with such manifest coldness, was their aunt. Lady Mary Cunninglam. She had known Sir John slightly in her youth, she sald, as she graciously made room for me on Her sofa, and she expressed a very proper degree of regret at his sudden death, comdering that he had not been a personal friend in any way.

"We all have our faults' Colonel Middleton," said Lady Mary, with a gentle sigh, which dislodged a little colony of crumbs from the front of her dress, "Sir John, like the rest of us, was not exempt, though I have no doubt the softening influence of age would have done much, since I knew him, to smooth acerbities of character which were unfortunately strongly marked in his early life."

She had evidently not known Sir John in his later years.

As she continued to talk in this strain, if endeavored to make out which of the young laddes present was the one to whom I had already been introduced. Girls always seem to me so very much allke, especially pretty girls; and these were both of them pretty. I do not mean that they resembled each other in the least, for one was dark and one was fair; but which was Miss Aurela Grant, Ralph's flance, and which was Miss Evolyn Derrick, a cousin of the faminy, I could not make out until later in the ovening, when I dislinctly saw Ralph kiss the fair one in the peture-gallery, and I instantly came to the conclusion that she was the one to whom he was sengaged. I was undecided as to which was Miss Evolyn Derrick, a cousin of the faminy, I could not make out mill later in the ovening, when I dislinctly saw Ralph kiss the fair one in the peture-gallery, and I instantly came to the conclusion that she was the one to whom he was engaged. I was undecided in front of the hall fire before

are a grave responsibility." He stood, shaking his head a little, and turning ongaged.
I asked Charles if I were not right, as the crescent in his hand, "Wonderful," he said; "wonderful! Do not tear up that we stood in front of the hall life before the rest of the party had assembled for dinner, and he told me that I had indeed hit the nall on the head in this instance though for his own part he never laid much stress himself on sight an occur-rence, having found it prove misleading piece of rice paper, Miss Derrick, added, taking it from her. "The cre piece of rice paper, Miss Derrick, He added, taking it from her. "The crescent was wrapped in it, and I will put it around it again. All these stones want polishing, and many of them reseuring. They ought not to be tumbled together in this way in a bag, with nothing to prevent them scratching each other. See, Ralph, here is a clasp broken; and here are some loose stones; and this star, has in the extreme to draw any conclusion from it. He further informed me that Miss Derrick was the young lady with dark hair who had poured out tea, and whom he had favored with some of his conversation afterward. are some loose stones; and this star has no clasp at all. You must take them up to some trustworthy jeweler and have them

I admired Ralph's taste, as did Charles, "I suppose the second son was specially mentioned, Middleton?" said Charles, as I admired trains stock, as on who had never seen his future sister-in-law before. Aurella Grant was a charming little creature, with a curly hearming and a dimple, and a pink-and-white I drew back to let the rest handle and admire. "Of course!" said Lady Mary, sharply; head and a dimple, and a pink-and-white complexion, and a suspicion of an Irish accent when she became excited. Charles said he admired her complex-ion most because it was so thoroughly well done, and the coloring was so true

"Or course!" said Lady Mary, sharply;
"and a wery fortunate thing, too."
"Very—for Ralph," he repiled. "It is
really providential that I am what I am.
Why, I might have ruined the dear boy's
prospects if I had paid by tailor's bill. prospects if I had paid by tailor's bill, and lived in the country among the but-tercups and daisles. Ah! my dear aunt, as I see you are about to remark, how all

I did not quite caten his meaning, the tertainly was a beautiful complexion; and then she was so bright and lively, and showed such pretty little teeth when she smiled! She was quite delightful. I did not wonder at Ralph's being so much in love with her, and Charles agreed

in love with her, that the content against with me.

"There is nothing like a good complexion." In remarked, gravely. "One may be led away to like a pale girl with a mind for a time, but for permanent domestic bappiness give me a good complexion, and—a dimple," he added, as if it were an aftenethought. "I feel I could not bestow my best affections on a woman without a dimple, Yes, indeed! Raiph has chosen well."

Now I do not agree with Charles there, as I have always considered that a woman should have a certain amount of mind; just enough, in fact, to enable her to appreciate a superior one. I said as much to Charles, but he only laughed, and said it was a subject on which opinion had always waried.

"How did he meet her?" I inquired.
"On the Rigi last summer," said Charles, "I am thinking of going there

tercups and daisies. Ah! my dear aunt, as I see you are about to remark, how all things here below work together for good!"

"I was not going to remark anything of the kind." retorted Lady Mary, drawing herself up; "but," she added, spitefully, "I do not feet the less rejoiced at Ralph's good fortune and prosperity, when I see, as I so often do, the ungodly flourishing like a green bay tree."

"Of course," said Charles, shaking his head, "if that is your own experience, I bow before it. But for my own part, I must confess I have not found it so. Flourish like a green bay tree! No, Aunt Mary, it is a fallacy, They don't I am sure; I only wish they did. But I see the rehearsal is beginning, May I give you an arm to the hall?"

The offer was entirely disregarded, and it was with the help of mine that Lady Mary retired from an unequal combat, which she never seemed able to resist provoking anew, and in which she was invariably worsted, causing her, as I could see, to regard Charles with the concentrated bitterness of which a severely good woman alone is capable.

"O Fudge!"

After dinner, on entering the drawing-room, I found that great excitement provalled among the ladies respecting Sir John's Jewels. About his sad fate and costly legacy they all seemed fully informed. I had myself almost forgotten the reason of my visit in my interest in my new surroundings, not having even as yet given up the Jewels to Sir George Danvers or Ralph; but at the urgent request of all the ladies at once. Raiph begged me to bring them down, to be seen and admired then and there, before the rehearsal began.

"They will all be yours, you know," Ralph said to Aurelia. "You shall wear them on your wedding day."

"You are always talking about heing married," said Aurelia, with a little pout, "I wish you would try and think "I wish you would try and think



.. THE MAN. ABOUT TOWN -BY-Harry Tucker

DAILY CALENDAR.

1903.--"Things coming our way," presented by Mr. James Munn at Manchester Bazar.

1946.--Mr. Munn still lives.

Mary Jane went out to pull some

They sauntered here and sauntered there, And sat in shudy nooks, And studied things about the flowers That they had read in books.

They searched for pansies, gathered moss; And then went to the Square, But onloss were the only things That grew and flourished there.

These few lines were sent us in an envel-ope seasonably scented, with a note stat-ing that they were dashed off in an idle We knew they were not from the

of the poet laureate, for he treats of dif-

of the poet laureate, for he treats of dif-ferent things.
But even at that we felt that the lines were worth setting before the public, and we hope that Colonel Richardson will not take exceptions and feel personally af-fronted at what is written, We feel that he will not, for we have been reliably informed that he is as anx-ious to get the onions out of Capitol Square as we are.

Word has just reached us from far away Atlanta that the friend of our youth, Hughey Cardoza, has received as a gift from a highly respected citizen a

magnificent hat.

A family hat—one that may be utilized in summer, as well as in winter; one that may be used as a tent for camping out places, and that may be used for an awn-

places, and that may be used for an awning or an umbrella.

A hat with ornaments galore—worth an untold amount of dollars, but which will be held for all time to come for its association, rather than its intrinsic worth.

For years our old friend Hughey has been valuable to Jake Wells, but now, with this hat, he is twice valuable. We have heard also through a mutually friendly source that Hughey and his hat are among the sights in Atlanta, and that when he stands out in front of the theatre with that hat on he is something of a magnet.

We wish he would come to Richmond so we could see the hat and be perfectly

so we could see the hat and be perfectly satisfied for ourself.

We were more than pleased to see Miss Elizabeth Rathburn's name on the Bljou programme, for we have always felt the time worth spending in any theatre in which she appears.

Those eyes of hers have always sent a thrill through us, as we have watched the emotion flow from them into the part she portrayed.

And then her sweet voice sounds like a gentle brook, softly flowing from among the moss and ferns of the mountain off into the meadow, where, with the tingle of the sheep bells, a sweet billaby sounds out to the dreaming milkmaid and her sheepherd.

Or words to that effect.

Some blue is now up in the sky, The clouds are swept away; And now we'll see if we can't try To find a pleasant day.

A Correction.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir,-I am very much obliged to you for the publication of my article entitled "Important and Far-Reaching Decision," relaiting to the Northern Securities Company case, but I dee leave to that the decision was fortified by the facts not "forfeited." as it was printed. I also stated that I regarded the successful formation of the United States Steel Company as the greatest triumph of moderacivilization made since the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus and rot the "United States Company," as it was printed. I alluded to the steel company because I regard it as bearing stylking evidence of the great and beneficent results sometimes accomplished by the association of capital. I have no sympathy with the unjust and indisscriminate attacks which are now being constantly made upon trusts and corporations.

Sunnyside Place, Buckingham county, Va., April 18, 163 following corrections: I stated that the

Spring Weather in 1854. of The Times-Dispatch:

In verification of the adage that "Old people live in the past," and being in a remisicent mood this morning, and seventy-eight years entitling me to be numbered amongst the above mentioned class, I have concluded to give you some of the centrated bitterness of which a severely good woman alone is capable.

(To Be Continued To-morrow.)

"O Fudge!"

The antiquarian of the Boston Journal has been making inquiry into the origin of the word "fudge." Following are the results of his researches: of the word "fudge." Following are the results of his researches:

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of the word "Indge." Pollowing are the results of his researches:

The first appearance of the word in literature is in the description of the call of Lady Blarney and Miss Carolina Wilhelmina Amelia Skeggs on the Vicar of Wakefield's household. "But previously I should have mentioned the very impolite behavior of Mr. Burchall, who, during this discourse, sat with his face turned to the fire, and at the conclusion of every sentence would cry-out 'fudge!' and to the fire, and at the conclusion of every sentence would cry-out 'fudge!' and in some measure damped the rising spirit of the conversation." Does the word of the Law German "Integent" we tracel it to the story of 170 quality of the conversation." Does the word of the Law German "Integent" we tracel it to the story of 170 quality in our times, one Captain Pudge, who always brought home his owners a good cargo of less—so much that now aboard the ship, the sallors, when they hear great lie told, cry out, You fudge!"

And They Are Proud.

It is a fact of which all Virginians should be proud that the leading paper of the State. The Richmond Times-Dispotch, is rapidly forsing sbreast of the leading papers in the country. Each week our metropolitan contemporary seems to gather new strength and attractiveness, and in its prosperity and usefulness.

The Ear No Clew.

After studying and photographing more than forty thousand pair of ears of persons, including those of 2000 insane and 500 crimhals, and those of 300 animals, an English criminologist is forced to conclude that the ear gives us no clew to personal traits.

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